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CONNECTOR COUPLING/DECOUPLING TOOL	Paul T. Chin
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE  
TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 02/13/2006**

Sir:

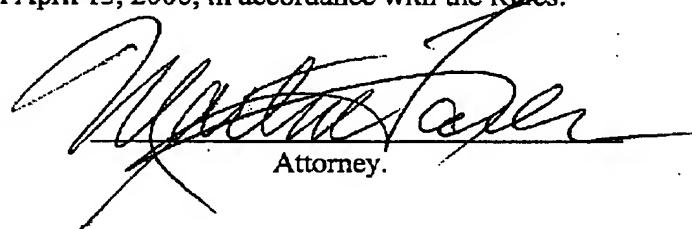
Responsive to the Office action mailed 02/13/2006, applicant responds as provided in this paper.

**Election/Restrictions**

Please cancel non-elected Claims 9, 16-20 and 23 in accordance with the requirements of the examiner.

**CERTIFICATE OF SUBMISSION BY FACSIMILE**

I certify that this RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 2/13/2006 and Rule 131 Affidavit referred to therein was submitted to the US Patent and Trademark Office via fax phone 571/273-8300, the number provided for Art Unit 3600 on the US Patent and Trademark Office website where this application is assigned, on April 13, 2006, in accordance with the Rules.



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